THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

January 31, 1988

celebrating the Millenium of Christianity in the Ukraine

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Priest: Blessed is the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and always, and forever and ever.

Choir: Amen.

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and always, and forever and ever. Amen.

Only-begotten Son and Word of God, immortal as You are, You condescended for our salvation to take flesh from the holy Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary, and without undergoing change, You became man; You were crucified, O Christ God, and trampled death by Your death. You who are One of the Holy Trinity, equal in glory with the Father and the Holy Spirit: Save us.

Choir: Amen. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. (3 x). Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and always, and forever and ever. Amen. Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.

READING OF THE PROKIMEN (PSALM)

READING OF THE EPISTLE

READING OF THE GOSPEL (Today is the Sunday of the Pharisee and the Publican)

INTRODUCTION TO THE GREAT ENTRANCE WITH THE HOLY GIFTS

Priest: Wisdom! That, being ever protected by Your might, we may render glory to You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always, and forever and ever.

Choir: Amen.

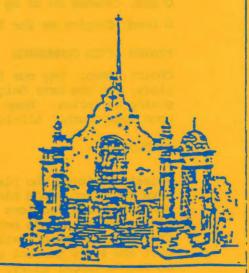
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Let us, who mystically represent the Cherubim, and sing the thrice-holy hymn to the life-creating Trinity, now set aside all earthly cares.

Priest: May the Lord God remember in His kingdom, our Holy Ecumenical Pontiff..., the Pope of Rome, His Beatitude our Archbishop..., our most reverend Metropolitan..., our Godloving Bishop..., and all those in the priestly, diaconal or monastic states, our civil authorities and all our armed forces, the blessed founders and benefactors of this holy church and all of you orthodox Christians, at all times, now and always and forever and ever.

Choir: Amen. That we may receive the King of all, invisibly escorted by angelic hosts. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

THE CREDO



THE CONSECRATION

Priest: Singing, exclaiming, crying out, and saying the triumphal hymn.

Choir: Holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Priest: TAKE, EAT, THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS BROKEN FOR YOU FOR THE FORCIVENESS OF SINS.

Choir: Amen.

Priest: DRINK OF THIS, ALL OF YOU, THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY, FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

Choir: Amen.

Priest: We offer to You Yours of Your own, in all, and for all.

Choir: We praise You, we bless You, we thank You, O Lord, and we pray to You, our God.

HONOR TO THE MOTHER OF GOD

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Especially for our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Mother of God and ever-Virgin Mary.

Choir: It is truly meet to bless you, O Mother of God, forever blessed and all-immaculate and the Mother of our God. Higher in honour than the Cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim, being Virgin you gave birth to God the Word. You are indeed the Mother of God, and we magnify you.

THE OUR FATHER

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

I believe, O Lord, and confess that You are truly the Christ, the Son of the living God, Who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. Accept me today as a partaker of Your mystical supper, O Son of God; for I will not reveal Your mystery to Your enemies, nor will I give You a kiss as did Judas, but like the thief I confess to You: Remember me, O Lord, when You come into Your kingdom, Remember me, O Master, when You come into Your kingdom. Remember me, O Holy One, when You come into Your kingdom. Let not the partaking of Your holy mysteries, O Lord, be for me unto judgment or condemnation, but unto the healing of soul and body.

O God, be merciful to me a sinner.

O God, cleanse me of my sins, and have mercy on me.

O Lord, forgive me for I have sinned without number.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Choir: Amen. May our lips be filled with Your praise, O Lord, that we may sing of Your glory, for You have deigned to make us partakers of Your holy, divine, immortal and lifegiving mysteries. Keep us in Your holiness, so that all the day long we may meditate upon Your truth. Alleluia, Alleluia!

CONCLUSION

Priest: O Lord, Who bless those that bless You, and sanctify those that hope in You, save Your people and bless Your inheritance, preserve the fullness of Your Church, sanctify those who love the beauty of Your house: glorify them in return with Your divine power, and do not forsake us who hope in You. Give peace to Your world, to Your Churches, to the priests, to our government, and to all Your People: For every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from You the Father of lights; and to You we render glory, thanksgiving and worship, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and always, and forever and ever.

Choir: Amen. Blessed be the name of the Lord, henceforth and forever. (3 x)